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have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension for CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as so (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may recearned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).	fee under et forth in						
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.							
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:							
(a) X they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);							
(b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);							
(c)       they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplif issues for appeal; and/or	ying the						
(d) $\square$ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.							
NOTE: See Continuation Sheet.							
3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):							
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed ame canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	ndment						
5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT pla application in condition for allowance because:	ce the						
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were new raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	vly						
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and a explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.	n						
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:							
Claim(s) allowed:							
Claim(s) objected to:							
Claim(s) rejected: <u>1,3-5,8-12 and 21</u> .							
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: 6-7 and 13-14.							
8. $\square$ The proposed drawing correction filed on is a) $\square$ approved or b) $\square$ disapproved by the Examiner.							
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)( PTO-1449) Paper No(s)							
10. Other:							
K.M. Reuchie Karin M. Reichle Primary Examiner Art Unit: 3761							

## Continuation Sheet (PTOL-303) 09/834,682





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Continuation of 2. NOTE: Contrary to Applicants remarks the Examiner provided an example of a new issue, that is the attachment strengths, in the previous Advisory Action. The instant proposed amendment also changes the scope of the claims because it no longer requires freedom from attachment between the the releasable fastening of the inner portion and areas adjacent the side edges but requires specific positioning of the releasable fastening and the attachment sites which would require further consideration and/or search.